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Washington Officials Compelled To Admit Unlikelihood of Allies Meeting Proffer Made By the Imperial German Chancellor

PRESIDENT WILL REQUEST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION

Secretary Lansing Preparing Notes Conveying Terms of Berlin's Offer To Members of the **Allied Group of Warring Nations**

ASHINGTON, December 45-Although it is possible that, if the United States formally requests the careful consideration of the German peace proposals when the government forwards these proposals to the Entente nations, that the latter will give them polite attention, it is admitted on all sides here that the Allies have not the faintest intention of heeding them and opening serious negotiations with the Central Powers Proud London Paris Rome Petrograd and Tokin come official and semi-

official statements which put the hopwhich the President and officers of the administration have been treasuring since the pronouncement by the German chancellor last Tuesday, beyond

the bounds of probability.

The receipt of the German and Austrian notes, which are identically word ed has it is true opened the way for the President to voice that hope when he forwards the suggestion from Ber-lin and Vienna to the ministries at London, Rome, Paris and Tokio, but that is almost all that can be said for

Teuton Diplomats Hope

The view of the German diplomats here is that the way has been opened for asking for a meeting of representatives of the belligerents, and they said last night that that will be the next step in all probability. This meeting would be asked to "discuss the general terms upon which peace could be ar-ranged." One of the German officials here declared that if the movement goes that far it will result in an actual peace conference. The state department announced last night that the note from Constantinople is expected this evening. No note from Sofia is expected.

Secretary Lansing is now preparing identical notes to the different members of the Entente, and it is hoped to forward them immediately. Lloyd-George Ill

Despatches from London, following from Paris, shocked those here who had looked forward to a speedy ending of the war through the offer of

Premier Lloyd-George did not appear in the house of commons at the fime be was expected to make an important speech on allied policy yesterday, but Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, made a statement indicating British refusal of the supposed German terms. The new premier is in bed with a severe cold.

Mr. Law said that Britain has not yet received the Teuton proposals for peace, and added significantly that the Entente Allies require adequate repuration for the past and adequate security for the future.

Asks Credit Vote He also announced that the daily alcohol average of England's war expenditures smount to £5,710,000, and asked a vote Department. of credit for £400,000,000. The actual expenditure, he said, had exceeded the estimate owing to the increase in the

cost of munitions and the necessity for additional loans on behalf of the other Allies and the British dominious. Bouar Law declared: "In moving the last vote of credit. Premier Asquith said that the Allies require that there shall be adequate

security for the future. That is still the policy and still the determination of Wis Majesty's government." This statement was greeted with

Blockade of Greece

Lord Cecil, the new "secretary of state for the blockade." said that the blockade which the Allies are carrying out against Greece does not imply a state of war existing between Greece and the Entente group. He told the house that there would soon be presented certain demands upon Greece for the purpose of clearing up the sit-

MEN WHO CONTROL DESTINIES OF GREAT BRITAIN STRANDED SUBMARINE Dovid Lloyd-George and Prominent Members of His Coalition Cabinet



Wants Uncle Sam To Begin Baking Bread

BARON WIMBORNE

LORD LIEUTENANT OF IRELAND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, December 15 Representative Young of North Da kota introduced a resolution vester day proposing that the government construct a flour and bakery mill is Washington in order to learn by actual experience just what the price of bread per lonf should be for the consumer. In advocating his measure he declared that Uncle Sam would then be able to give an actual demonstration of the cost of making

FRANCE TO GO DRY **DEPUTIES DECIDE**

Whole Country Affected By Measure, Prohibiting Liquor To the French People

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) PARIS December 14-The French parliament today decided upon prohibition of whiskies, brandies and other liquors. Premier Briand declared before the chamber of deputies:

"This is a grave question which must be regulated in war times. Its solution, which involves the country's salvation, is in the suppression of holidays, which will begin December 22 next general election, while at first it alcohol." He was greeted with appearance and last until January 2 He was greeted with ap-

the entire country."

PORTUGUESE DISCUSSING COALITION CABINET PLAN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) l'ARIS, December 15-1.ishon news upers received here today declare that he formation of a coalition cabinet s again being considered. The present government has been in existence since

WAR RISKS JUMP

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, December 15. The maumped up fifteen per cent for vessels bound to ports in the Mediterraneau sea, while ships with cargues consigned to transatlantic ports will have to pay ten per cent additional over what they have been charged in the past.

DANES APPROVE SALE OF THE WEST INDIES

SIR EDWARD CARSON

FIRST LORD OF ADMIRALTY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, December 15-The people of Dennark, voting at a plebiscite held yesterday, went strongly on record as favoring the sale of the Danish West Indies, to the United tates, the vote standing 283,000 for to 157,000 against.

When the proposal to sell the islands to the United States for 25,000,000 came up several months ago, it created much agitation and was met by vigorous opposition in some quarters. The opposiion to the measure became so outspoken that the legislative body inally refused to accept the responsibility for final action and referred the matter to the voters of the kingdom.

The result of the vote yesterday shows that the opposition to the sale of the islands is not shared by a majority of the people. The measure is, as a result of the vote, again up to the legislative body of the government. The United States senate has already ratified the proposed purchase of the islands, and similar action by the Danish parliament, based upon the result of the plebescite, will

Prohibition Is Likely To Become Dominant Issue Before Solons

bough even the more enthusiastic prodibition leaders here do not expect favorable action on the pending national by the committee.

prohibition measures at this session of The fact that William J. Bryan, for ongress, it is generally admitted even

fore the houses after the Christmas and last until January 2.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) | by the judiciary committee yesterday WASHINGTON, December 35-At. It provides for a constitutional amend ment which would enforce national prohibition. The proposed suffrage amendment was reported without comment

LORD CURTON .

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

mer secretary of state, has thrown by the opponents of the measures that himself heart and soul into the fight the question of "wet" or "dry" will for national prohibition and has as be the leading issue to be brought be- serted that he plans to make the Democratic party a "dry" party by the was received with a smile, is now re-Administration leaders last night ad- garded as being indicative of the trend Deputy Mayeras interjected, "for the mitted that they doubt whether the of public feeling. Senators and reparmy," and Briand replied, "yes, for bill will reach the senate in time for resentatives from all over the country any action at the present session, but have brought back with them to conthey assert that it will be the domi- gress reports of the increasing sentinunt issue in the coming sixty-fifth ment in favor of nation-wide prohibition, and this is likely to have its effect The measure which is before the in the debating which will follow the though unchecked. house now was reported favorably upon laking up of the question,

Bomb Conspiracy Witness Stands Firm Under Rain of Questions

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

SAN FRANCISCO, December 15-Louis J. Smith, star witness for the vernment, in the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul general here, and conular attaches, on charges of conspiracy in connection with the so-called bomb dots, remained aushaken today in the face of a grilling cross-examination. Two attempts to discredit Smith as a witness failed. He held to every ctail of his story of how he had been employed by C. C. Crowley, detective

for the consulate, to dynamite British ships carrying munitions. Efforts to introduce reports to prove that Smith was a deserter from the

Maryland volunteers were unsuccessful. Smith vigorously denied charges that he had been offered \$20,000 by British consular agents for his testimony

Plans Fine Job For All Ex-Presidents

LORD MILNER

WITHOUT PORTFOLIO

(Associated Press by Pederal Wireless) WASHINGTON, December 15-Representative Moore of Pennsylvania has a bill providing for giving all ex-presidents of the United States a seat in the house of representatives, without a vote, but with the right to address the house. The bill carries with it a salary of \$25,000 a year. It also provides that candidacy for any political office would automatically bar the candidate his membership in the house.

NORTH OF VERDUN

Driving Germans Back According To Official Admissions Made By German Staff

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, December 15-The ighting on the battle fronts of Europe s clouded in the mystery which the ensorship casts over it from time to ime as big events begin to shape themselves. It was reported yesterday hat the fighting in Rumania continued leavy and that the Germans and Austrians are still pressing the Rumanians nd their Russian allies backward.

The invaders claimed to have crossed the River Jalumitza hot in pursuit of spray working on the wrecked superthe retreating Romanians, and that in other directions their advance con-

The French however launched sensational assault of the day. On both sides of the Meuse river, north and northeast of Verdun, they attacked, and reports from Paris say that they are advancing stendily, hav ing already taken many prisoners and much ground, but the details of fighting have not been allowed to seep through the censorship in Paris, and Berlin has bad little to say regarding this struggle beyond declaring that the attackers have made advances.

North of Monastir, in Serbian Mace donia the fighting has been resumed and yesterday the German Bulgarian armies began a flerce bombardment of the Serb positions to the south and east. So far as reported this has had but little effect as yet.

MAKES HEROIC BATTLE

H-3 Grounded On Shoals At Entrance To Harbor of Eureka, California, Battles For Hours With Breakers In Dense Fog Before Rescuers Are Able To Send

CREW OF DIVER RESCUED

UREKA, California, December 15—Stranded on a shoal near the entrance of Eureka Bay in a dense fog, the United States when the land of the Land of Eureka Bay in a dense fog, the United States when the land of th of Eureka Bay in a dense fog, the United States submarine H-3 was abandoned by her officers and crew late yesterday, when rescuers working from the shore rigged a breeches buoy after twelve hours of work in a rough

last to leave the ship as it lay crushed in the surf, a total loss. Most of the twenty-two officers and men aboard the diver were severely bruised and battered when the H-3 crashed onto the shoal early yesterday

DAY LONG FIGHT WITH SEA

Though the submarine was running awash when it struck the shoal, it was only by heroic work on the part of those aboard that the disaster was not marked by loss of life. While rescue parties aftent and ashore made repeated fruitless efforts in the thick weather to reach the wrecked underseas craft, officers and crew fought a steady battle against the rough seas all day.

Water entered the batteries of the the crew stayed at his station. The submarine and released chlorine gas release of the chlorine gas when water

adding to the danger to those aboard. was witnessed by crowds that had gathered along the shore at the first news of the wreck. Cheers greeted every man as he was safely landed on the beach after the long ride through

cisco bay. She was accompanied by her sister submarines, the H-1 and the H-2, and the monitor Cheyenne, acting tender to submarines, which was convoying the three submersibles down the wrecked superstructure.

and fast. The grounding occured near unsuccessful, the bay d shout tw

hundred yards off the beach. Signals Bring Assistance

Distress signals sounded from the The Cheyenne immediately stood The tug Relief was rushed from Then the submarine sounded the whistle "All safe."

The life-saving erew from the local station started work at once. Efforts shoul well within the surf line. were made to shoot a lifeline out over the diver.

Dense fog engulfed the stranded submarine, endangering the rescue craft as they hovered near the H-3. The submarine was heeled over in fairly deep water. As soon as she struck she began to settle on her side. The water about the shoal was so shallow, how ever, that the tug and the submarine tender were unable to come close to the H 3.

As soon as the submarine can aground wireless messages were flashed from the Cheyenne up and down the roast, and all available rescue forces and apparatus that could be summoned F-4 here, according to local many offiwere rushed to the scene of the wreck. The whistles from the submarine finally ceased, and a rift in the fog dis-

closed the diver dangerously keeled over to one side with the hatches but tened down. It was believed the men were using the submersion equipment and obtaining air supply from the air tunks. Well within the surf, the submarine was being buffeted by the waves and great seas swept over the superstructure. Fog Closes Down

In this situation, as the fog again closed down on the diver, hiding her from the view of shore and sea rescue forces, desperate efforts were made to reach the men aboard.

After hours of anxiety, anothe lifting of the fog raised hopes of avert ing a tragedy. Members of the crew were visible through the fog and the structure of the submarine, battling against the force of the surf dashing against the nearly capsized craft.

After the batches had been battened down and when it was believed the men, imprisoned in the steel shell, were using their artificial means of supply, shore parties discerned a man's form emerging from a batch.
Instantly a life-line was shot to

ward the submarine from the beach At the risk of his life, the seaman on deavored to secure the line but heavy waves, breaking over the hull, drove him below

Meanwhile in the little craft Lieu tenant Bogusch and Lieut. E. F. Zemke. second in command, were leading a heroic battle against threatened de struction, equalled only by the efforts of the rescue parties vainly trying to reach the diver through the rough seas and the dense for.

Injured as they were, every man of

FOR LIFE WITH WAVES

a Life Line On Board and Rig Breeches Buoy

Lieut. Harry Bogusch, commander of the wrecked submersible, was the

morning. One man lost three fingers of his right hand, and practically every man aboard suffered more or less serious injuries.

entered the storage batteries did not The work of rescue, after the seriously inconvenience the men, though breeches buey had been finally rigged, only their early rescue saved them from the danger in this regard.

The vessel was leaking badly. Grad-ually she was seen by those on shore to work her way inward to the beach, the beach after the long ride through the mist and the angry surf from the crushed shell of the H-3.

McCullock To Rescus

The United States coast guard cutter McCulloch steamed from San Francisco last night for this port to begin the work of salvaging what is left of the pulpment of the wave-baffeted submarine.

The H-3 wave-baffeted submarine.

The H-3 was on the way from Bre-merton navy yard, on Puget Sound, to Mare Island navy yard in San Fran-rest low in the water and steady her perilous position on the shoal.

Later five men were seen at work on the deck of the diver. They were armed with axes and started cutting at the

It was just dawn when the H-3 ran fast to the diver a life-line shot from aground on the shoal and stuck hard shore and once more the attempt proved

cue Follows Quickly

Repeated unsuccessful efforts con tinued the rest of the afternoon in the thick fog and increasing heavy seas unfore dark. The rigging of a breeches buoy and the rescue of the twenty-two men aboard followed quickly.

The H-3 remains gripped weather became rougher last night and heavy seas were breaking over the submarine, tossing her about so that little hope is held for her salvage.

The H 3 was built as one of four authorized submarines under an act of congress passed March 3, 1909. Her contract price was \$491,000. She was originally named the Garfish with the official number "Thirty." The contractor was the Electric Boat Company of New York and the ship was built by the Moran Company at Scattle.

Lieutenant Bogusch, commander of the H 3 was in the naval service in Honolula at the time of the loss of the cers. He returned to the Coast when the F-fleet was ordered back there and was later sent to the H-3.

AMERICAN SLAIN BY CARRANZA AUTHORITIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) El. PASO, December 14-Alfonso civa, an American and an ex-Villista, has been executed by the Carranza authorities at Juarez, according to a released American who arrived here

Japan Scoffs At Peace Proposals

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) TOKIO, Japan, December 15-The foreign office issued a statement today saying that Japan does not take Germany's proposal for peace seriously, regarding it merely as a political move on the part of the Teutonic Allies, and not made in good faith or with any expectation that it would be accepted by any member of the Entente.

The foreign office added the state ment that, in its opinion, the Entente Allies would have to go on fighting to the end and until ultimute victory is achieved. Peace at the present juncture is regarded as